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HIROMICHI ATSUUMI

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FOR: SCANNING OPTICS WITH OPTICAL ELEMENTS FORMED OF RESIN AND OPTICAL SCANNING DEVICE AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS USING THE SAME

## DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.132

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SIR:

Now comes Hiromichi Atsuumi, who deposes and states that:

- 1. I am sole inventor of the invention disclosed in the above-identified application.
- 2. I am co-inventor of the invention disclosed in United States Patent No. 6,509,995.
- 3. I declare that I conceived the subject matter disclosed in United States Patent No. 6,509,995 that is common to United States Patent Application No. 10/047,092.
- 4. I declare further that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issuing thereon.
  - 5. Further Declarant saith not.

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February 25, 2004 Date